



LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S BRIDGING GENERATIONS AWARD

The Lieutenant Governor is proud to announce a writing award for 8th grade students in South Carolina for the 2012-2013 academic year. The "Bridging Generations Award" pairs students with older South Carolinians, bridging the gap between generations in the state. Students learn from the past, while leading older South Carolinians into the future. The writing award allows students to showcase what they have learned by incorporating many subjects of the 8th grade curriculum, including South Carolina History.

Select entries will be posted on BGTIME.org, an online community forum aimed at connecting generations through technology, media, and engagement. Winning essays will be posted on the Lieutenant Governor's website, as well as BGTIME.org.

Structure

Class Nominees

- Teachers will nominate one student from their class by determining which student's essay establishes the best understanding of the writing topic.

School Winner

- The school will decide the process for selecting an overall winner from the class nominees.

County Winner

- School winners will be submitted to the Lieutenant Governor's Office via email or mail. The Lieutenant Governor's Office will send a confirmation email when the submission is received. The Lt. Governor's Office will judge the essays to determine each county winner.

State Winner

- The Lieutenant Governor's Office will determine the overall state winner.

Writing Topic and Procedures

Interview a senior citizen about their life when they were your age, and compare and contrast the differences and similarities of the two. Examples of topics to discuss include changes in: social values, economic values, technology, style, nutrition, and expressions.

The essay should be 250-400 words.

Awards

School winners will receive a certificate signed by the Lieutenant Governor of South Carolina, and winning essays may be published on BGTIME.org.

County winners will receive a certificate signed by the Lieutenant Governor of South Carolina, a BGTIME t-shirt, and winning essays will be published on BGTIME.org.

The *State Winner* will receive a plaque from the Lieutenant Governor of South Carolina, a BGTIME t-shirt, and appear on the Lieutenant Governor's television show. The winning essay will also be published on BGTIME.org.

Dates

School winners should be emailed or mailed (postmarked) by March 15, 2013.

Email address: BGTime@scstatehouse.gov

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 PO Box 142
 Columbia, SC 29202

County winners and the State winner will be announced on April 26, 2013.

*If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Lieutenant Governor:
803-734-2080 or bgtime@scstatehouse.gov.*